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PRODUCTION OF  
ICE CREAM  
and  
RELATED FROZEN PRODUCTS  
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ICE CREAM PRODUCTION

Ice cream production in the United States during February was estimated at 57,080,000 gallons -- the largest February output on record, the Crop Reporting Board reports. Production was 6 percent larger than in the same month last year and 5 percent more than two years earlier. Seasonally, output gained 6 percent from January to February, compared with 3 percent in 1971 and 4 percent in 1970. On a daily average basis, production increased 13 percent between these months this year, 14 percent last year and 15 percent two years ago.

Temperatures during February averaged cooler than normal north of a line from northern Idaho to Florida and warmer than normal over most areas south of that line. Bitter cold temperatures occurred during the last week of February from the northern Great Plains to the Atlantic Ocean, but warming trends were general in most other parts of the Nation.

Compared with February 1971, larger output in all regions varied from 1 percent in the East North Central to 16 percent in the Mountain. Production was up 8 percent in the North Atlantic States, 7 percent in the West North Central and 11 percent in the South Atlantic. Output was 4 percent more in both the South Central States and the Pacific. In the three most important ice cream-producing states production was up 17 percent in New York, 1 percent in Pennsylvania and 5 percent in California.

From January to February increased production in all regions ranged from 2 percent in the East North Central to 18 percent in the Mountain. Output advanced 4 percent in both the South Atlantic Region and the Pacific and 3 percent in the South Central. Production gained 11 percent in the North Atlantic and 6 percent in the West North Central. All states showed unchanged or increased output from January except Ohio, Nebraska, Virginia, North Carolina, Alabama and Washington.

PRODUCTION OF ICE CREAM, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES, 1972

MONTH	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED		CHANGE FROM:	
	1970	1971	1972	1970	1971
		Thousand Gallons		Percent	
January .....	52,291	52,390	53,780	+ 3	+ 3
February .....	54,410	53,800	57,080	+ 5	+ 6
TWO MONTH TOTAL ...	106,701	106,190	110,860	+ 4	+ 4
March .....	63,386	64,400	U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY RECEIVED APR 17 1972 PRODUCTION SECTION CURRENT SERIAL RECORDS		
April .....	62,667	64,715			
May .....	68,132	64,000			
June .....	75,121	76,520			
July .....	78,736	80,020			
August .....	74,227	76,115			
September .....	69,268	70,495			
October .....	60,398	61,910			
November .....	51,066	55,805			
December .....	53,314	52,215			
TWELVE MONTH TOTAL	763,016	772,385			

## PRODUCTION OF ICE CREAM, BY STATES, FEBRUARY 1972

STATE AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED			CHANGE FROM:	
	FEBRUARY 1970	FEBRUARY 1971	JANUARY 1972	FEBRUARY 1972	FEB. 1971	JAN. 1972
	Thousand Gallons				Percent	
Maine .....	241	255	235	290	+ 14	+ 23
Massachusetts .....	2,879	2,795	2,990	3,145	+ 13	+ 5
Connecticut .....	1,088	1,290	810	1,200	- 7	+ 48
New York .....	4,686	4,600	4,320	5,380	+ 17	+ 25
New Jersey .....	1,375	1,050	1,240	1,240	+ 18	0
Pennsylvania .....	5,395	5,450	5,500	5,510	+ 1	0
Other N.A. States ..	201	180	215	175	- 3	- 19
NO. ATLANTIC STATES	15,865	15,620	15,310	16,940	+ 8	+ 11
Ohio .....	3,508	3,400	3,150	2,900	- 15	- 8
Indiana .....	1,935	1,755	2,100	2,195	+ 25	+ 5
Illinois .....	3,009	2,715	2,620	2,650	- 2	+ 1
Michigan .....	2,764	2,590	2,390	2,780	+ 7	+ 16
Wisconsin .....	1,483	1,380	1,375	1,400	+ 1	+ 2
E.N. CENTRAL STATES	12,699	11,840	11,635	11,925	+ 1	+ 2
Minnesota .....	2,010	1,940	1,980	2,230	+ 15	+ 13
Iowa .....	590	535	560	560	+ 5	0
Missouri .....	1,184	1,260	1,330	1,330	+ 6	0
North Dakota .....	217	240	135	195	- 19	+ 44
South Dakota .....	26	25	20	20	- 20	0
Nebraska .....	723	695	720	650	- 6	- 10
Kansas .....	588	520	490	580	+ 12	+ 18
WEST NO. CENT. STATES	5,338	5,215	5,235	5,565	+ 7	+ 6
District of Columbia	323	230	230	260	+ 13	+ 13
Maryland .....	1,120	1,200	1,110	1,130	- 6	+ 2
Virginia .....	680	620	700	675	+ 9	- 4
West Virginia .....	235	145	120	130	- 10	+ 8
North Carolina .....	1,195	1,300	1,500	1,400	+ 8	- 7
Georgia .....	609	465	475	580	+ 25	+ 22
Florida .....	1,602	1,640	1,910	1,975	+ 20	+ 3
Other S.A. States ..	472	445	425	585	+ 31	+ 38
SO. ATLANTIC STATES	6,236	6,045	6,470	6,735	+ 11	+ 4
Kentucky .....	318	340	350	360	+ 6	+ 3
Tennessee .....	1,053	1,100	1,220	1,220	+ 11	0
Alabama .....	636	740	850	770	+ 4	- 9
Mississippi .....	276	265	290	315	+ 19	+ 9
Arkansas .....	187	255	230	250	- 2	+ 9
Louisiana .....	698	665	670	715	+ 8	+ 7
Oklahoma .....	381	465	420	495	+ 6	+ 18
Texas .....	2,178	2,370	2,250	2,330	- 2	+ 4
SO. CENTRAL STATES	5,727	6,200	6,280	6,455	+ 4	+ 3
Montana .....	131	115	100	110	- 4	+ 10
Idaho .....	245	245	165	205	- 16	+ 24
Colorado .....	513	475	450	625	+ 32	+ 39
Arizona .....	383	420	390	490	+ 17	+ 26
Utah .....	321	370	455	475	+ 28	+ 4
Other Mt. States ..	229	245	270	260	+ 6	- 4
MOUNTAIN STATES	1,822	1,870	1,830	2,165	+ 16	+ 18
Washington .....	949	1,065	1,150	1,020	- 4	- 11
Oregon .....	495	510	470	560	+ 10	+ 19
California .....	5,138	5,285	5,230	5,565	+ 5	+ 6
PACIFIC STATES	6,582	6,860	6,850	7,145	+ 4	+ 4
UNITED STATES 1/	54,410	53,800	53,780	57,080	+ 6	+ 6

1/ Includes Alaska and Hawaii

Ice milk production in the country during February was set at 17,790,000 gallons -- a new record high for the month. Output at this level was up 8 percent from February 1971 and 7 percent from February 1970.

From January to February, production advanced 7 percent for both this year and last year and 8 percent two years ago. On a daily average basis, the gain between these months was 14 percent this year, 19 percent in 1971 and 20 percent in 1970. Seasonal advances occurred in all regions except the North Atlantic.

Compared with February 1971, output was more in all areas of the country.

PRODUCTION OF ICE MILK, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES 1972

MONTH	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED		CHANGE FROM:	
	1970	1971	1972	1970	1971
	Thousand Gallons			Percent	
January .....	15,282	15,405	16,630	+ 9	+ 8
February .....	16,560	16,490	17,790	+ 7	+ 8
TWO MONTH TOTAL	31,842	31,895	34,420	+ 8	+ 8
March .....	21,490	21,630			
April .....	24,943	25,720			
May .....	30,211	27,980			
June .....	34,077	34,410			
July .....	36,472	35,270			
August .....	33,654	33,180			
September .....	26,736	26,345			
October .....	20,826	21,895			
November .....	15,685	17,170			
December .....	15,615	16,265			
TWELVE MONTH TOTAL	291,551	291,760			

SHERBET PRODUCTION

February production of sherbet in the United States was estimated at 3,090,000 gallons. This is up 3 percent from both February 1971 and 1970.

From January to February, output decreased 3 percent, compared with increases of 4 percent last year and 3 percent two years ago. However, production gained 4 percent on a daily average basis this year, 15 percent a year ago and 14 percent two years earlier. Output increased in all regions except the East North Central and the Mountain States.

Compared with February 1971, production was more in the South Central Region and the West, but less in all other areas of the country.

PRODUCTION OF SHERBET, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES 1972

MONTH	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED		CHANGE FROM:	
	1970	1971	1972	1970	1971
	Thousand Gallons			Percent	
January .....	2,906	2,885	3,200	+ 10	+ 11
February .....	3,004	3,000	3,090	+ 3	+ 3
TWO MONTH TOTAL	5,910	5,885	6,290	+ 6	+ 7
March .....	3,868	3,975			
April .....	4,097	4,325			
May .....	4,949	4,565			
June .....	5,673	5,985			
July .....	5,940	6,095			
August .....	5,344	5,155			
September .....	4,106	4,385			
October .....	3,391	3,475			
November .....	2,781	3,025			
December .....	2,822	3,000			
TWELVE MONTH TOTAL	48,881	49,870			



"MELLORINE-TYPE" FROZEN DESSERTS PRODUCTION

U. S. production of Mellorine and other frozen desserts made with fats and oils other than milkfat during February was estimated at 3,315,000 gallons. Output at this level was 4 percent less than February last year and 11 percent smaller than two years ago.

Production gained 7 percent from January to February this year, 6 percent in 1971 and 12 percent in 1970. The seasonal increase from January to February on a daily average basis was 14 percent this year, compared with 17 percent at this time last year, and 23 percent two years ago. Production held steady in Missouri, Alabama and Arkansas, but decreased in Oklahoma. All remaining Mellorine-producing states showed increases.

Compared with February 1971 changes in output by states were mixed.

## PRODUCTION OF MELLORINE-TYPE FROZEN DESSERTS, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES 1972

MONTH	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED		CHANGE FROM	
	1970	1971	1972	1970	1971
		<u>Thousand Gallons</u>		<u>Percent</u>	
January .....	3,340	3,255	3,090	- 7	- 5
February .....	3,727	3,450	3,315	- 11	- 4
TWO MONTH TOTAL ..	7,067	6,705	6,405	- 9	- 4
March .....	4,365	4,235			
April .....	4,606	4,240			
May .....	4,854	4,360			
June .....	5,304	5,400			
July .....	5,662	5,380			
August .....	5,227	4,865			
September .....	4,765	4,315			
October .....	3,975	3,910			
November .....	2,950	3,125			
December .....	2,995	2,610			
TWELVE MONTH TOTAL	51,770	49,145			